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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of an Office Action from the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart application (JP 2004-513397) citing such documents indicating the degree of relevance found by the Japanese Patent Office.

In further compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

1. An English language abstract of JP 2001-139933 submitted herewith constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP 2001-13933; furthermore, U.S. Patent 6,586,496 cited herein corresponds to the JP 2001-139933.
2. An English language abstract and a computer translation of JP 2001-085155 submitted herewith each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP 2001-085155.
3. An English language abstract and a computer translation of JP 2000-068050 submitted herewith each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP 2000-068050.
4. An English language abstract and a computer translation of JP 2000-357587 submitted herewith each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP 2000-357587.
5. An English language abstract and a computer translation of JP 2000-144094 submitted herewith each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP 2000-144094.

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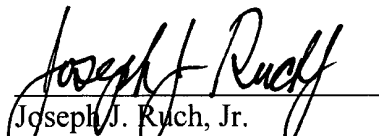
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		US 6,586,496		07-01-2003	Takamatsu et al
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		JP	2000-068050		03-03-2000	CASIO COMPUTER CO LTD	Abstract and computer translation
		JP	2000-357587		12-26-2000	TDK CORP	Abstract and computer translation
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		JP	2001-098242		04-10-2001	SEKISUI CHEMICAL CO LTD	Abstract and computer translation
		JP	2002-047474		02-12-2002	TOPPAN FORMS CO LTD	Abstract and computer translation
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